

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
NEWS RELEASE

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COUNTY PROVIDES FREE SOIL EROSION CONTROL DEVICES

Materials For Property Owners in Unincorporated Areas

Beginning midday Friday, residents of unincorporated areas of San Diego County affected by recent fires can pick up free soil erosion control devices at five Department of Public Works (DPW) road stations. These stations are located in Alpine, Julian, Lakeside, Ramona and Valley Center.

DPW erosion experts will be at each road station and at the three Local Assistance Centers (LAC) in Alpine, Ramona and Valley Center to explain how each device should be used and installed. Other experts, based at the road stations, are available to provide advice to owners at their property. In addition, DPW will provide brochures that explain the devices. These experts will be at road stations from 7:30 am until 4 p.m. seven days a week and at LACs weekdays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekends.

Volunteers to fill sandbags, transport them to property owners and help install them are also needed. Those interested can call 1-(888)-846-0800 toll free 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends.

With winter rains approaching, many property owners are working to protect their homes from the risk of mudslides and flooding. County crews are busy taking these actions to protect roads, bridges, flood control channels and other infrastructure.

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## **Road Station Locations**

Alpine—

2914 Tavern Road (619) 445-2341

Julian-

1524 North Highway 78 (760) 765-0636

Lakeside—

13115 Willow Road (619) 443-1258

Ramona—

116 5<sup>th</sup> Street (760) 787-3312

Valley Center—

28565 Cole Grade Road (760) 749-6981